

Arakkal Museum

The **Arakkal Museum** is a museum dedicated to the Arakkal family, the only Muslim royal family in Kerala, India. The museum is actually a section of the *Arakkalkettu* (Arakkal Royal Palace). The darbar hall section of the palace has been converted into a museum by the Government of Kerala. It was opened in July 2005 after a Rs. 9,000,000 renovation.

Although renovated by the government, the *Arakkalkettu* is still owned by the *Arakkal Royal Trust* and does not fall under the control of the country's archaeology department, the Archaeological Survey of India. The government had taken a keen interest in preserving the heritage of the Arakkal Family, which had played a prominent role in the history of Malabar. A nominal entry fee is charged by the *Arakkal Royal Trust* from visitors to the museum.

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The Arakkal Museum is located in Ayikkara, next to the Kannur City. It is located 2-3 kilometres from Kannur town.

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2. Research and Development
3. Communications and Public Informations
4. Protocol and Liaison Service
5. Registration and Permissions

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Arakkal Museum

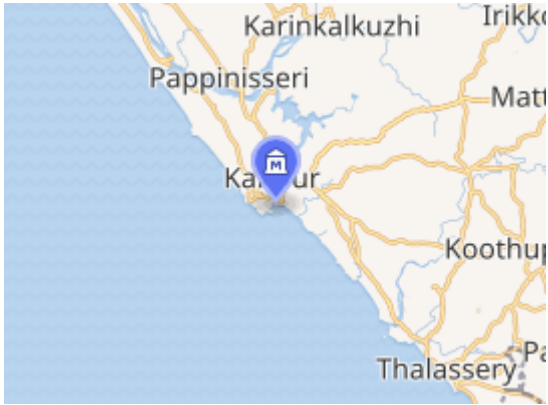
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Seal of Arakkal kingdom



Front side of the museum



Former name	Darbar hall of Arakkal
Established	1 July 2005
Location	Kannur
Coordinates	11.859505°N 75.3755041°E﻿ / ﻿11.859505°N 75.3755041°E﻿ / 11.859505; 75.3755041
Type	Museum
Accreditation	Kerala Tourism Development Corporation
Visitors	131,56 (2015)



Arakkal family Seal at the Museum



A section of the Museum

Chairperson	Adi Raja Muhammed Rafi, son of Sainaba Aysha Beevi
Owner	Arakkal Royal Trust
Nearest car park	Onsite(free)



A foundation stone at the Museum



Furniture from the Arakkal Palace



More Arakkal furniture at the museum.



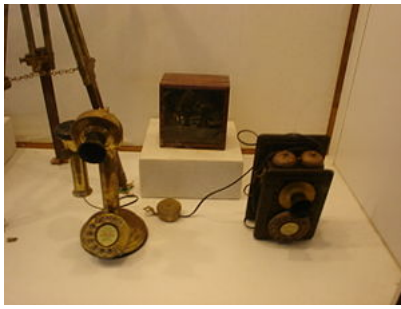
Royal mantle sticks



Copies of the Qur'an



Traditional lamps and candlesticks



Ancient telephones used at Arakkal Palace during the British rule



Ancient telescope at Arakkal Museum



Ancient telephone once used in the Arakkal Palace



A royal belt and a traditional coffee pot. The design of the coffee pot is influenced by Arab culture.

External links

- [Arakkal Kettu dedicated to the nation \(https://web.archive.org/web/20130829155036/http://www.hindu.com/2005/07/31/stories/2005073107430300.htm\)](https://web.archive.org/web/20130829155036/http://www.hindu.com/2005/07/31/stories/2005073107430300.htm), *The Hindu*, 31 July 2005.
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